

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT TACOMA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA and STATE
OF WASHINGTON, *ex rel.* Michael Bidus,

Plaintiffs,

v.

FRANCISAN HEALTH SYSTEM, d/b/a CHI
FRANCISCAN, and FRANCISCAN MEDICAL
GROUP,

Defendants.

CASE NO. 19-cv-6181-TSZ

ORDER

The United States and the State of Washington (collectively, the “Governmental Entities”) having declined at this time to intervene in this action pursuant to the False Claims Act, 31 U.S.C. § 3730(b)(4)(B) and RCW 74.66.050, it is hereby ORDERED that:

1. The Complaint, this Order, the Governmental Entities’ Notice of Declination, and all other papers on file in this action shall be unsealed;

2. Relator shall serve a copy of the Complaint, this Order, and the Governmental Entities’ Notice of Declination on Defendants;

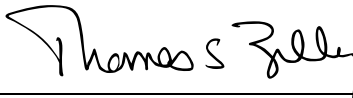
1 3. The parties shall serve all pleadings and motions filed in this action, including
2 supporting memoranda, upon the Governmental Entities, as provided for in 31 U.S.C. § 3730(c)(3)
3 and RCW 74.66.060(3). The Governmental Entities may seek dismissal of Relator's action or
4 claims, order any deposition transcripts, and are entitled to intervene in this action, for good cause, at
5 any time;

6 4. The parties shall serve all notices of appeal upon the Governmental Entities;

7 5. All orders of this Court shall be sent to the Governmental Entities; and

8 6. Should Relator or any Defendant propose that this action be dismissed, settled, or
9 otherwise discontinued, the Court will provide the Governmental Entities with notice and an
10 opportunity to be heard before ruling or granting its approval.
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12 DATED this 13th day of October, 2021.

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14 Thomas S. Zilly
15 United States District Judge

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